

## SOME NEW LAW

Several Measures are to Come from the Government.

## MOLOKAI IN FIRST DISTRICT

To Facilitate Trials and Process. Act on Suspension of Sentence. Assault Degrees.

Several measures to be presented by the Government to the Legislature are now ready for the first reading and reference. Just so soon as the assembly is organized proper notice of presentation of a number of acts will be given. Attorney-General Smith has prepared nearly all, if not all these bills. Each matter has been the subject of consideration by the Cabinet and President Dole gave his opinion upon them before his departure for Washington.

One of the acts concerning directly the judicial and police departments is the changing of the Island of Molokai from the second to the first judicial district. At present all Molokai cases that cannot be disposed of by the local or district magistrate must go to Lahaina. The means of communication is uncertain and hazardous and there is often delay and always great inconvenience to interested parties. Between Molokai and Honolulu there is regular weekly communication by the steamer Mokolii and the packets for Maui and Hawaii can touch there when necessary. This new plan is regarded as a big thing in facilitating the disposition of Molokai legal matters. There had been talk of the reform for some time, but there was a general inclination to wait until Mr. Smith took the matter up.

Before the recent interesting decision on suspension of sentence by district magistrates had been handed down by the Supreme Court an act had been drafted relating to suspension in District and Circuit Courts. There had always been doubt in the premises and the act that will be submitted will clear away all question. It is intended that the practice shall be suspension in certain cases for a definite period. If sentence is to be moved upon the defendant will be notified and if he receives no notice he may be certain that the state has waived all its rights or penalties.

There has in the past been unsatisfactory results in the trial of several classes of assault cases. Each variety of assault and battery is now a separate and distinct offense. It is proposed to revise the code so that assault and battery shall be in degrees similar in system to larceny. Then if a man who is charged with an assault with a dangerous weapon proves that the weapon was not a dangerous one, he cannot escape scot free when it is self evident that he is guilty of assault. The degrees will be as follows:

Assault with intent to commit murder or other crime.

Assault upon an officer of the law in the performance of his duty.

Assault with a dangerous weapon.

Common assault.

The enactment of a slight amendment to be offered to the present license law will interest and please a whole lot of people living in the vicinity of Beretania and Pensacola street and in other residential districts. This will be in effect that the Minister of Interior may use his discretion as to whether or not he shall grant a lodging house license, for a certain locality.

It is not likely that the matter of changing the Court holding place from Lahaina to Wailuku will be offered to the Legislature. It is certain that no such proposal will come from any of the Ministers. With the new roads on Maui, Lahaina is regarded as an entirely satisfactory place for the Court to remain indefinitely.

AGAINST IMMIGRATION BILL. Speech in the Senate by Caffery of Louisiana.

WASHINGTON, January 13.—Among the measures reported to the Senate today was the pension appropriation bill. It was placed on the calendar.

At the conclusion of the morning business the immigration bill, the unfinished business, was taken up and Caffery of Louisiana was recognized for a speech in opposition to the measure.

Caffery maintained that each State established a right to legislate regarding restriction on suffrage, but he held that a citizen of the United States was one thing and a voter in a State quite another.

"This bill," continued Caffery, "is the cry of proscriptor and selfishness. It is another form of the mania of protection. It is a libel on 70,000,000 freemen whose ancestors as well as themselves have welcomed to our shores every son and daughter of toil."

GREAT STRIKE MAY SOON END.

Conflicting Reports Concerning the Trouble of Engineers.

LONDON, January 14.—The committee of the Allied Trades Union decided today to withdraw the demand for forty-eight hours of labor per week, and the workmen's officials hoped the employers would withdraw the look-out notices and thus end the great labor dispute.

The manifesto of the Amalgamated Society of Engineers issued this even-

ing, however, ignores today's report. It merely recites the engineers' contentions, and says they are willing to arbitrate the question of hours of work.

The statements of the strikers' representatives, however, are conflicting, as while the decision mentioned above was announced emphatically at Glasgow and in Manchester, where the employers were advised to that effect, Secretary Barnes of the London branch of the Amalgamated Society of Engineers declares the announcement is untrue.

It is generally believed that the end of the engineers' strike is not far distant. It appears that the London engineers have consented to abandon the forty-eight-hour demands, but so far the North of England engineers have not consented, which justifies Mr. Barnes, secretary of the Amalgamated Society of Engineers, in refusing to join the committees which have yielded.

## IN THE FAR EAST.

Why Port Arthur Was Ceded to the Russians.

LONDON, January 13.—A special dispatch from Shanghai is responsible for the statement that the Chinese Minister of War, Joung Lou, has explained to the Viceroy that Port Arthur was ceded to quiet Russia, because a war cloud was looming and all the powers had cast envious eyes upon Chinese ports.

According to a dispatch to the Daily Mail from Singapore the British gunboat Swift, which has been hurriedly put into commission at Hong Kong, will sail for Hai-Nan Island.

A dispatch from Hong Kong says, the British torpedo-boat-destroyers Bart and Handy, convoyed by the dispatch vessel Alacrity, have been ordered northward. The homeward orders of the British first-class cruiser Edgardo have been countermanded.

It is asserted in Berlin that the Government has notified all the great powers of its intention to occupy Kiaochau.

It is intended to build a railway from Kiaochau to Peking, connecting with the projected Russian line.

Prince George Must Govern.

CONSTANTINOPLE, January 14.—The Sultan granted an audience today to M. Zinovief, the Russian Ambassador, who, it is asserted, made an important communication with reference to the candidature of Prince George of Greece for the Governorship of Crete. M. Zinovief declared that unless the Sultan withdrew his objections to Prince George, Russia would propose the annexation of Crete to Greece.

## FOREIGN NEWS NOTES.

CONSTANTINOPLE, January 15.—The Porte, it is announced, is negotiating a loan of £1,500,000 with London bankers at 4 per cent, to be used for naval purposes.

LONDON, January 13.—The correspondent of the Standard at The Hague says a private dispatch received there asserts that 300 persons were killed by the earthquake at Amboyna.

BUENOS AYRES, January 15.—The Herald's correspondent in Rio Janeiro telegraphs that it is believed there that Brazil will sell the new warships now in course of construction in Germany.

PRAGUE, January 10.—Martial law which was proclaimed here in December as a result of the riotous demonstrations which followed the disturbances in the Reichsrath, is abrogated.

BERLIN, January 15.—Prince Bismarck is steadily improving in health. He is again good-humored and has expressed approval of the seizure of Kiaochau Bay in a letter to the Grand Dukes of Weimar and Mecklenburg.

BARCELONA, January 9.—It is reported here that General Weyler has been summoned to Madrid. In the course of an interview with a newspaper representative General Weyler has expressed his belief in the possibility of a conflict between Spain and the United States.

BOSTON, January 15.—Advance proofs of Ex-Queen Liliuokalani's new book, "Hawaii's Story by Hawaii's Queen," are out. The book is political in its nature and among other things treats of the growth of Monarchical Government in the Islands and the influence upon it of the missionaries.

NEW YORK, January 15.—Count de Penalosa was a passenger on board the steamer La Gascogne when she sailed today for Havre. The Count has frequently put forward the prediction that within the year Don Carlos will be the acknowledged King of Spain.

MANCHESTER, January 15.—Interest in the engineers' strike has shifted to the attitude of the employers. They are disposed to stand out for a complete victory and say the withdrawal of the demand for 48 hours' work a week does not end the difference. They still insist upon complete control of their works and will effect a reconciliation only on the terms outlined at the last conference.

MADRID, January 15.—It has come of light that the recent riots in Cuba are the outcome of a preconceived conspiracy worked from here, the object being to show that autonomy is unpopular, to turn out the Liberal Government, and to restore General Weyler to Cuba, with Romero Robledo as Prime Minister. In case of intervention, which was counted upon as a possibility, the conspirators looked with equanimity on a disastrous national rising and the fall of the dynasty, with the Carlists arriving to restore order.

## PERSONAL AND PECULIAR.

Prof. George H. Darwin, son of the famous Darwin, who is lecturing in the States on the tides, says it will not pay to utilize them as a motive power. A small mountain stream would furnish more power than the rise and fall of 10 oceanic liners.

William Pool, a highly respected citizen of Limestone Hill, Wood county, West Virginia, has in his possession a powder horn which was given to his grandfather by George Washington. The former Mr. Pool and General Washington were adjoining neighbors and very close friends. Mr. Pool prizes this treasure very highly.

Spanish and French women of the higher class, according to London Modern Society, are usually expert swordswomen. They are taught to fence as carefully and accurately as their brothers, and there are numerous schools in the two countries where young women are taught not only to fence, but to handle the broadsword. It is considered one of the best possible forms of athletic exercise.

Rev. Anna Shaw, of Chicago, hopes soon to be appointed a policeman. "I would rather be a policeman than be President," she says. "The one crying reform that is now needed in New York and Chicago is 200 uniformed women policemen to walk the street. If Mr. Van Wyck or Mayor Harrison had the knowledge of existing sociological conditions which they ought to have, and which I hope their successors will have, woman should be an active police officer. If these gentlemen want to know where to find women to fill the places, and to fill them well, I could tell them. From the ranks of the Salvation Army and the American Volunteers could be obtained on short notice 200 women whose presence on the streets of Chicago in uniform would do more toward the elimination of crime than many times that number of men."

## IN CASE OF FIRE.

Your house takes fire. What burns first? The lightest and most inflammable stuff, of course—furniture, doors, shelves, floors, paneling, and other woodwork. If it is a stone or brick house the walls will probably remain standing—a melancholy sight.

Were not this a principle of universal application Mr. Meddings would never have compared himself to a skeleton, as he does in the letter to which your attention is now invited.

"In the autumn of 1891," he says, "I fell into a low, weak state of health. My ordinary energy appeared to have gone out of me. I always felt tired and languid, and couldn't account for it. Nothing seemed to rest me. I was tired in the morning as when I went to bed. I had a bad taste in the mouth, my appetite was poor, and after meals I had a pain at my chest and left side.

"I was in this condition until the 14th of March, 1892, and then I had to give up work. The reason was, I was too weak to work. In fact, I was so weak that it was about as much as I could do to walk across the floor. Besides this I had a dry, hacking cough; and at night I sweat so the bedclothes were wet. Sometimes during the day cold, clammy sweats would break out all over me.

"I lost flesh rapidly, until I was like a skeleton. My muscles seemed to be shrunken and withered. There was no feeling of warmth in me; it was as though my blood had gone cool and thin. I was too feeble and helpless to wash or dress myself, and people said I was wasting away, as though they expected to see the end of it presently.

"I consulted two doctors and they gave me medicine, but it did me no good. One day my aunt, Mrs. Benton, of Francis Street, Walsall, called, and in the course of talk she said that the medicine that did her good when she was ill was Mother Seigel's Curative Syrup. Although it didn't look reasonable to believe that it could cure a case as bad as mine, nevertheless my wife got me a bottle from Mr. Grove, the chemist in Park Street, and I commenced taking it. In a few days I found myself much better; my appetite was better, and I had gained a little strength.

"To make the story short, I kept on taking the Syrup and continued to get better. As soon as I could digest my food the night sweats and the cough abated, and in a few weeks I was able to go back to my work. That is two years ago, and since then I have been in good health for which I have to thank Mother Seigel's Syrup. (Signed) ARTHUR THOMAS MEDDINGS, 115, Farringdon Street, Walsall, March 6th, 1894."

In a fire, as we said, it is the light, inflammable stuff that burns first. That's why Mr. Meddings got to be so ghastly thin. The flesh or fat is the fuel of the body. In health it keeps up the warmth and furnishes the power. And to keep up the fuel we must eat.

Now, disease is a conflagration; it tries to burn the house up, and often does it. And it always burns the flesh up, more or less of it. The fat goes first, the muscles, etc., afterwards. That's the way of it. About that time the tenant moves out.

Our friend was well on towards that point. But it wasn't lung disease that killed him, albeit he had the cough and the sweats. They go also with indigestion and dyspepsia—his real and only malady. He got feeble and thin because his disease wouldn't allow the stomach to digest food. Hence he consumed all the flesh he had stored up, and then (luckily for him) he began to take Mother Seigel's Curative Syrup, which set his stomach and liver right, and gave his vitals a chance to feed him.

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